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IOC LECTURER DISCUSSES OLYMPIC HISTORY

MISSOULA--

Renowned sport scientist John A. Lucas, an official International Olympic Committee lecturer, will discuss some highs and lows of Olympic history in presentations Wednesday and Thursday, April 1 and 2, at The University of Montana.

Lucas' talks, "A Hundred Years of Olympic Games Heroes and Heroines" on Wednesday and "The Dilemma of the Vanished Amateur Olympic Athlete" on Thursday, will begin at noon in McGill Hall 215. The public is cordially invited.

Lucas has been an official IOC lecturer since 1993. Since then he has made 195 presentations in 33 states and all the Canadian provinces. His audiences include students at all levels and members of philanthropic, business, professional and scientific organizations.

Lucas has taught for 34 years at Pennsylvania State University, where he's received prestigious awards for superior research and outstanding teaching. His many publications include two books and 100 essays dealing with the Olympic games. In 1996 the IOC awarded him the Olympic Order.

His UM presentations were organized by the health and human performance department with support from UM's Excellence Fund.

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